S.,No.	*Name of work*	*Estimated cost (Rs. in crores)*
3.	Bridge works (2 Nos.0	4.50
4.	R.O.B's (4 Nos.)	18.25
5.	Mescellaneous.	15.45
	Total : Rs.	374.50

[*English*]

Leasing Companies

1700. SHRI PRATAPRAO B. BHONSLE:
SHRI GURUDAS KAMAT:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government propose to allow many fincnce and leasing companies to operate as private bank; and

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI DALBIR SINGH): (a) Reserve Bank of India have reported that there is no proposal as yet to allow finance and leasing companies to operate as banks.

(b) Does not arise.

[*Translation*]

Master Plan for Construction of National Highways

1701. SHRI DEVENDRA PRASAD YADAV: Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether National Transport Policy Committee has recommended any master plan to include eight Inter-State highways connecting Uttar Pradesh, Bihar, West Bengal and Nepal Border in National High way System;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the work on the road between Darbhanga and Farvishgan] linking Bihar and Nepal has been shelved; and

(d) if so, the reasons therefor and steps taken by the Government to get the work completed?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF SURFACE TRANSPORT (SHRI JAGDISH TYTLER): (a) and (b). Yes, Sir. The details are given in the attached statement.

(c) No, Sir.

(d) The decision about declaration of new National Highways in various States including the road in question in Bihar would be taken only after the formulation of the 8th Five Year Plan keeping in view certain norms evolved for the purpose and availability of funds etc.